

Proposed Bill No. 185

January Session, 2007

LCO No. 718

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by: SEN. GUGLIELMO, 35th Dist.

AN ACT REQUIRING NOTICE TO POTENTIAL JURORS OF THE ABILITY TO APPLY FOR JUROR DISQUALIFICATION BASED ON A PERMANENT HEALTH CONDITION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 884 of the general statutes be amended to require the
- 2 Jury Administrator to (1) inform each potential juror that if the juror is
- 3 incapable, by reason of a permanent and progressive health condition,
- 4 to render satisfactory juror service, the juror may claim a
- 5 disqualification under section 51-217 of the general statutes by
- 6 submitting a letter from a licensed physician stating the physician's
- 7 opinion that such condition prevents the potential juror from
- 8 rendering satisfactory juror service; and (2) exclude a juror from the
- 9 summoning process if the juror submits a satisfactory letter in
- 10 accordance with said section 51-217.

Statement of Purpose:

To inform potential jurors of the ability to seek disqualification from juror service due to a permanent health condition.